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Memorandum

TO: BATA Oversight Committee

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FR: Executive Director

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RE: Toll Bridge Seismic Retrofit Program Update

Staff will provide to the Committee an update on progress on completion of the new east span and demolition of the old east span of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge.

With the opening of the new east span of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge, all seven state-owned toll bridges in the Bay Area have now achieved seismic safety either via retrofit or replacement of existing structures. Remaining work in the program includes:

- On the Self-Anchored Suspension Span, project completion is pending resolution of three issues. First, is the discovery of water and inadequate grouting around anchor rods at the base of the tower. Testing has determined that it was wash or rain water and not water from the bay. Caltrans and its contractor are now determining the best means for re-grouting the rods. Second, as reported in the press this week, the maintenance elevator for the suspension tower is not operating reliably. Finally, the contractor needs to complete final project fabrication and maintenance reports and documentation.
- Near Yerba Buena Island, dismantling of the cantilever is continuing. The majority of the cantilever should be removed by this summer and the east bound on-ramp and bike path from the island should be completed by the end of the calendar year. This represents a 3-month delay from the prior schedule due to delays in fabrication of the elements of the bike path.
- Caltrans plans on opening bids for the dismantling of the remaining 504' and 288' trusses in early March.


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